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SUBJECT: TURKISH AMBASSADOR COMMENTS ON MAKARIOS-DENKTASH MEETING

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1. IN JANUARY 19 DISCUSSION, TURKISH AMBASSADOR ONHON COMMENTED ON PROSPECTIVE MAKARIOS-DENKTASH MEETING. ONHON EXPRESSED GREAT CONCERN THAT PREMATURE PUBLICITY MIGHT FRUSTRATE THIS IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT. HE SAID GENESIS OF THIS INITIATIVE HAD BEEN DENKTASH'S FRUSTRATION WITH WEST GERMAN PROFESSOR HORST EHMKE'S LACK OF UNDERSTANDING OF CYPRUS PROBLEM COMPLEXITIES. THIS HAD MOVED DENKTASH TO CONSIDER A SERIOUS NEW APPROACH. ANKARA HAD CONCURRED. SUCCESSIVE DRAFTS OF THE LETTERS TO WALDHEIM AND MAKARIOS, WORKED OVER BY THE TURKISH EMBASSY AND ANKARA, HAD WEEDED OUT THE UNPRODUCTIVE PROPAGANDA IN DENKTASH'S INITIAL TEST.

2. IN ONHON'S VIEW, IT WILL BE CRITICAL FOR MAKARIOS AND DENKTASH NOT TO FALL INTO A DISPUTE THAT WILL MAKE THEIR FIRST MEETING THE LAST. THIS NEW CHANNEL MUST BE PRESERVED  
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BUT NOT "INSTITUTIONALIZED", I.E. IT SHOULD NOT BE THE PRIMARY NEGOTIATING VEHICLE. IT MUST BE HELD AS A KIND OF COURT OF APPEAL.

3. I SAID I DID NOT NECESSARILY DISAGREE WITH THIS BUT DID FEEL THE PAPADOPOULOS-ONAN NEGOTIATION WAS USELESS. THE TROUBLE IS NOT SO MUCH WITH ONAN AS WITH PAPADOPOULOS,

WHO IS TRYING TO MAKE POLITICAL CAPITAL OUT OF HIS POSITION  
AS NEGOTIATOR. I WONDERED IF, GROWING OUT OF THE MAKARIOS-  
DENKTASH MEETING, SOME WAY COULD BE FOUND TO BRING  
CHRISTOPHIDES AND CELIK TOGETHER. BOTH, I COMMENTED, ARE  
REASONABLE, INTELLIGENT MEN WITH AN AMIABLE, NON-PREJUDICIAL,  
PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP. PERHAPS SOME FORM OF WORDS COULD BE  
FOUND THAT WOULD BEG THE ISSUE OF CELIK'S TITLE, SUCH AS A  
STATEMENT THAT AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED ON A FOLLOW-UP  
MEETING OF "POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES" OF THE TWO LEADERS.  
TO SAVE FACE, THE PAPADOPOULOS-ONAN FORUM COULD BE KEPT  
IN BEING FOR HUMANITARIAN ISSUES. ONHON SAID HE WOULD PUT  
THIS THOUGHT TO DENKTASH AND ANKARA.  
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